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Memorandum

: SAC (157-1067) DATE: 10/2/68

OM : SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE

BJECT: BLACK ORGANIZING PROJECT (BOP), aka
Invaders
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On 9/20/68 Lt. [redacted] Intelligence Unit, Memphis, Tennessee, Police Department, furnished to the writer a copy of his Police Department memorandum dated 9/20/68 re Invaders activities 9/19/68, based on a report from Police Department undercover [redacted], code name [redacted] A Xerox copy of same is attached to each copy of this memorandum.

1 - 157-1067
1 - 157-566 (Possible Racial Violence, Major Urban Areas)
1 - 157-1277 [redacted]
1 - 157-1116
1 - 157-1019
1 - 157-967
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1 - 157-957
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The above information re the Rosewood deal was corroborated on 9/20/68 to SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE by [redacted] He added the following:

The affair was a dance sponsored by Black Knights to raise money. About 2,000 were present off and on. It was packed. Various Negro bands, primarily those recording for Stax Records, performed, gratis.

They were as follows:

WILLIAM BELL and band
The Mad Lads
The Soul Children
"BOWLEG" MILLER's band
BARKEY's
Two new fellows from California
SAMMY and JIMMY
The ISAAC HAYES combo (HAYES plays the accordion and piano.)

JOHN GARY WILLIAMS, member of the Invaders and under indictment for shooting Police Department Officer WADDELL, on 8/23/68, sang with the Mad Lads.

CHARLES NOBLE of the Black Knights was there but said he has dropped out of the Black Knights.

CHRIS A. TURNER, who with COLLINS is dropping out of the Black Knights to form a group called TIGER, was there.

WINE or LANCE BALLARD also said that "We burned Ingle Street but the authorities will never find out specifically who did it."

[redacted] said that he was referring to the Tuesday night, 9/10/68, burning of two homes in the 100 block of Ingle, being financed by Supreme Mortgage Company, in which Negro Attorney A. W. WILLIS has an interest.